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Baptists Near and Far

Mr. A. S. Coody of the State Tax Commission, in answer to the claim of liquor people that beer would bring the state a million dollars in taxes, says that to do this Mississippians would have to spend as much for beer as they are now spending for food. And where is it coming from, and into whose tills would it go if it is taken from the grocerymen?—There will be eighteen degrees conferred on those graduating at the Baptist Bible Institute in May. Two of these secure the Doctor's degree, namely, E. M. Causey and S. H. Jones. Six take the degree of Master of Theology, namely, Paul D. Bragg, Leroy E. Green, Hollis D. Jordan, Mrs. H. D. Jordan, Louis A. Stagg, Jr., and Clarence E. Younce. Two become Bachelors of Theology, namely, E. B. Abingdon and J. W. Buckner. One takes the degree of Master of Christian Training, Miss Maud Cobb, J. A. Herring and Miss M. Lopez; one Master of Religious Education, Mrs. E. M. Causey. Two take the degree of Bachelor of Religious Education, Miss Joe Brumfield and Mrs. H. F. Moak. One becomes Bachelor of Gospel Music, Edmond Keith. Eight others get diplomas without degrees.

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At the recent meeting the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention voted unanimously disapproving the Virginia memorial suggestion to combine our Home and Foreign Mission Boards, and the three theological schools.—Mrs. George Wilson, Navajo Indian Missionary in Albuquerque died at the Indian school hospital recently, leaving her husband and three children.—Owing to financial stringency "The Magnet," published monthly by students in the Bible Institute in New Orleans, will be discontinued. We shall greatly miss its monthly visit.—There were 128 additions to First Church, Shreveport, in the recent revival meeting.—Rev. J. V. Tinnin, pastor Balboa Heights Baptist Church, Canal Zone, will spend his June to July vacation in the States, his pulpit being supplied by his brother, Dr. F. W. Tinnin, editor of The Baptist Message.

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Rev. B. W. Hudson is happy in his new pastorate at Rienzi, where the people are showing him every kindness. On the first day there were four additions to the church.—Mr. Virgil Posey of Jackson is conducting the music in First Church, Birmingham, where Dr. Geo. W. Truett is assisting Pastor J. R. Hobbs in a revival meeting.—Dr. S. G. Posey of Coliseum Church in New Orleans, ordinarily has a Spanish speaking congregation meeting in his church house ministered to by brother Valdivia. On a recent Sunday brother Valdivia was absent and Dr. Posey preached to them acceptably in Spanish.—Deacon B. F. Dickerson of First Church, Charlottesville, Va., who recently passed away left by his will \$20,000 to Foreign Mission Board of Richmond, \$10,000 to the church of which he was a member; also the following after the death of his wife, \$15,000 to Virginia Baptist Orphanage; \$5,000 to Baptist Hospital at Lynchburg; \$5,000 to Home for Aged in Charlottesville; \$5,000 to Children's Home in Charlottesville; and \$5,000 to the country church of which he was formerly a member.

SOME FACTS WE DO WELL TO REMEMBER

W. S. Allen

In these days of declining missionary interest and missionary contributions we do well to recall some vital facts. They seem to be lost sight of in the midst of the storm now raging. We sing often "Jesus Calls Us," but are we heeding that call? "Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?"

Dr. A. J. Gordon once said: "The church that is not a missionary church will soon become a missing church." Henry Martyn said: "The spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions, and the nearer we get to Him, the more intensely missionary we become."

But to the facts:

The source of Christianity is missionary. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Our God is a missionary God.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, was the first missionary to this lost world. He was sent. He came. We have then a missionary Saviour.

The church was born in the missionary spirit and given a great world-wide missionary task.

Every epistle in the New Testament addressed to a church was written to a church that was the product of missionary effort. Every letter in the New Testament written to an individual was written to a convert of a missionary.

All the churches established in the New Testament times grew out of missionary effort.

Surely these early Christians who were so close to the earthly life and ministry of our Saviour and who were so completely under the direction and control of the Holy Spirit understood the purpose of our Saviour.

The last fact we do well to remember is that Jesus conditioned His presence with His people on their being missionary. He has kept His promise to the letter. When His people have carried out His commission He has been with them and prospered them. When they have ceased to be missionary He has withdrawn His presence, and decay and death have followed. Our great need now is the presence of Jesus. His presence will solve all our problems. His absence leaves us humiliated and defeated. Jesus Himself said: "Apart from me, ye can do nothing." Jesus made missions primary. We are never going to get out of our troubles until we get right with Jesus on the question of missions. O, but somebody says, we ARE missionary. Yes, in theory, but not in practice. Are we not in danger of becoming an o-missionary people? And remember this, an o-missionary spirit will destroy all our work and institutions just as surely as the anti-missionary spirit. "Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion." We are no longer disturbed over a lost world.

"Shall we whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Shall we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?
Salvation! O Salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till earth's remotest nation
Has learned Messiah's name."

PRAYING FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CONVENTION

John R. Sampey, D. D.

The heads of Southwide boards and institutions were invited by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to meet with the Committee in Nashville April 12th and 13th. Practical problems of the greatest difficulty came before the Executive Committee for solution. I must ask permission for space to give some of my impressions and to relate an experience.

This is not the first time that Southwide executives have been invited to sit in council with the Executive Committee. From the first year of its existence to the present the Executive Committee has sought the advice and cooperation of leaders in State and Southwide boards and institutions. If in any particular the Executive Committee has failed to measure up to its great task, Southwide and State leaders must share the blame for failure, for we have been given every opportunity to propose and advocate before the Executive Committee any measures which seemed to us to promise improvement in the Cooperative Program.

The Executive Committee shares with the Promotion Committee of Southern Baptists the responsibility for carrying forward the work of the Southern Baptist Convention. About half of the members of the Promotion Committee are appointed by the various boards of missions in the seventeen States composing the Southern Convention. Naturally the task of caring for the work in the States which they represent has first place in the thought of these brethren. As the financial difficulties have multiplied, these executives in the various States have been under tremendous pressure to preserve the life of local institutions at the expense of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Ministerial Relief and Ministerial Education in the theological schools. The Executive Committee has not found any way of resisting the break-up of the Cooperative Program by the introduction of preferred items, which in some of the States leave almost nothing to be divided with Foreign Missions and other Southwide agencies. Pastors and other workers still make the appeal to the churches to give the Gospel to all the world by contributing to the Cooperative Program; but from several Southern States only a bagatelle of the gifts to the so-called Cooperative Program ever finds its way to the treasury of the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond. No wonder then that thirty missionaries remain prisoners in the homeland, while their hearts are with their converts in foreign lands.

At its recent meeting the Executive Committee faced the distressing facts brought anew to its attention by the secretaries of our mission boards and the presidents of our theological seminaries. The Executive Committee sought guidance in frequent and earnest prayer. The brethren faced difficulties which they could not overcome without generous cooperation on the part of brethren in charge of missionary, educational and benevolent work in the various States, and these representatives of agencies in the States were not present. Former joint meetings

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Editorials

It is said that the moving picture industry in this country is to be under the control of Jno. D. Rockefeller, Jr. And may the Lord give him wisdom and courage.—With financial conditions in Scotland last year the worst for a long time the Church of Scotland is said to have increased its contributions to foreign missions about 12 per cent over the previous year.

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If as many as fifteen people go together from Jackson to Washington, leaving on the same train, a Pullman car will be provided by the I. C. Railway all the way through. But it will be necessary to know beforehand how many are going. As the W.M.U. Convention meets on the 17th it will be necessary to leave Jackson at least as early as 1:20 A. M. on the 16th. If interested, let us know or write to Mr. W. Byrnes, District Pass. Agt. I. C. Ry. Jackson, Miss.—Any pastor who sends us a list of ten or more subscribers will receive help on his trip to the Convention.

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Roger W. Babson, says, "When I was a boy, the church put a decided ban upon three things: namely, drinking, card playing, and dancing. I thought it was very foolish at the time, but have since found that there was an economic reason for this; namely, because it is impossible for a man to be satisfied through drink, gambling, or yielding to the sex impulse. The more he has of these things, the more he wants; the more he has, the less he is satisfied, until finally the ruling impulse of his entire life is whiskey, gambling, or women. The church said, 'Let these things alone; beware of temptation; and do not let in the thinnest edge of the wedge.' The church was right as far as it went, but it should have added one more thing; namely, the love of money. Money fails to satisfy, and the more one has the more one wants."

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April 16 Arlington High School, Lincoln County, held its first commencement, now having twelve grades. Seven fine young people were graduated: J. C. Brown, Oliver Keene, Merton Reeves, Marie Yawn, Elmore Wallace, Emma Kene, and Myrtis Laird. Prof. Barney Grice is the capable superintendent. There was a good musical program. Pastor A. W. Talbert preached an excellent sermon on "Success," emphasizing the education of the soul. Closing prayer by Rev. Chas. Smith.—Mississippi has been severely chastened in recent weeks. We have had tornadoes, bank closures, floods, and now hailstorms. May the Lord help us to see His will and learn the lessons which He seeks to teach us. Remember His word which says, "My son, regard not lightly the chastening of the Lord; nor faint when thou art reproved of Him, for whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth."

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Last week we suggested an every year debt paying campaign throughout the South in which people could give specifically to any board or institution having a debt, over and above the regular gifts to the cooperative program. The Baptist and Reflector publishes with approval another plan suggested by W. C. Creasman, providing for a debt paying campaign for August, September and October. In August every one getting a salary from the denomination to make a sacrificial offering, publishing results. In September every pastor in the South to make an offering for debts; results to be published. In October every church member to do the same.—We were in a home recently where a small boy told us how many books he had read about Tarzan and other books of this kind, books that set forth no worthy ideals and do not feed the soul. Boys and girls today are going to read. It is the responsibility of their elders to see that they have the right kind of feed for their minds and souls. Parents and pastors this is for you to say.

A WORD TO BANKERS

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Now is a good time for bankers, as well as the rest of us, to furbish up their consciences. It may be that some have violated the law. In such cases the law ought to be enforced. But in most cases the bankers have kept strictly within the law. However it is not enough to obey the law. Our consciences must always be a little ahead of the law. And a banker's conscience needs to have a keen edge on it, to be made of good metal and to be kept furbished to a good brightness. There is something about handling money that tends to benumb conscience. It is a dangerous thing to make money. Jesus said so, though many people haven't yet taken it in. The "deceitfulness of riches" has lost none of its hazardous nature.

Most bankers are Christians. Many of them are good Christians, taking active part in Christian work. But in spite of this they are not free from danger. Paul writes to Timothy, "charge them that are rich in this present world, that they be not highminded, nor have their hope set on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, that they be ready to distribute, willing to share, laying up for themselves in store a good foundation against the time to come, that they lay hold on the life which is life indeed."

Bankers and some others need to ask themselves the question whether they have kept this charge. Have they sought to get rich quick? Have not some of them, and others in great corporations, not drawn salaries out of proportion to the services rendered? Have they sought to influence government and legislature in their own interest without regard to the public good? Have they used their position to force policies in state and church? And have they sought to use public officials in their interest?

There are some who think in our state the relationship of the banks to the state banking department is not the best for the public good. A little quickening of conscience, may be some repentance is in order.

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NEEDED, 200 MEN

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We have wasted a good deal of time complaining about our debts. We have spent our energies in talking, in conferences, and conventions that have gotten us nowhere. We will never get anywhere till the spirit of utter sacrificial devotion is put into operation. Brother Bryan Simmons startled the brethren a few days ago when he proposed to be one of 200 to give the \$20,000 that now stands in the way of our work in Mississippi. It was so startling that it was apparently not taken seriously. And yet what other way out is there before us?

We are getting nowhere with our present plans. And there is no hope of getting anywhere until the spirit of utter self-denial comes upon us. The brethren are saying that campaigns get us nowhere. We owe \$20,000 at the bank on June first and most of it is not in hand or in sight. This \$20,000 is holding up all our contributions to state objects and southwide objects. Nothing can move till it is out of the way.

Brother Simmons' proposition is that 200 Baptists give \$100 each to pay it off. He is willing to be one. He is no better able to do it than hundreds of others. Is under no more obligation to do it than hundreds of others. Of course it means giving till the blood shows, to many. But isn't the cause worth it? Can we not do it for Jesus' sake, who loves us and gave Himself for us. With this goes the prayer for the Spirit of God to come upon us and enable us to do what sorely needs to be done now. You may write to Dr. Gunter or to Bro. Simmons and say what the Lord puts into your heart.

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Pastor C. F. Hinds of Tunica reports 62 additions to the church recently. There were three on last Sunday, one on profession of faith.

REV. W. A. BORUM, D. D.

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Our acquaintance with brother Borum began when we were students in the Louisville Seminary. We recall vividly his high ideals for the Christian life and his eager longing and earnest efforts to attain these ideals. He loved the Lord and longed to be like Him and delighted to serve Him. He had come from Virginia, having been born in Norfolk and graduating from Richmond College.

He was a good student whose work in the classes was satisfactory, but his school work did not overshadow his desire for useful service as a minister, but rather stimulated it. He was active in Christian service upon every opportunity as a student in the Seminary, taking part in the active mission work in the city, and preaching whenever occasion offered. He came from the Seminary well furnished for his work.

Soon after this he married Miss Fontaine, a grand-daughter of Dr. J. L. Burrows and niece of Dr. Lansing Burrows. His first pastorate was in eastern Kentucky. About 1903 he came to Mississippi as pastor in Greenville, going a few years later to Oxford and then to First Church, Jackson. Here he was known as an excellent preacher and great spiritual force. He was then pastor in Natchez where the church grew under his ministry and a new house was built. His last pastorate was in Rayville, La. From this place he came back to live near Natchez and devote himself to the care of an invalid wife.

Last week his friends were shocked to hear of his serious illness and then came the news of his death. The Lord blessed his home with four daughters and two sons. One son Winston F. is pastor in Pecos, Tex.

With many others we shall feel the loss occasioned by his death, and pray for the comfort of our heavenly Father upon those who are bereaved.

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AN EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE

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Several years in succession the Baptist preachers of Mississippi held an evangelistic conference at Clinton during the month of June or near that time of the year. I do not know why it was discontinued.

The writer believes a great spiritual revival is very greatly needed in our state. We are soon to reach the time of year that our small town and country churches hold a few days of meetings. If we really have a revival the human part of it must begin in the preacher's heart. A few days together at Clinton in prayer, Bible study, and fellowship would doubtless help kindle anew the fires of evangelism in our hearts. Our love, prayers and sympathy for each other would be strengthened. Our zeal for helping both the saved and the lost religiously would be quickened in such a meeting.

We could use our pastors and denominational men for speakers. Our seminaries do not have a better Bible teacher than we have in the person of Dr. Patterson. Our only expense would be our lodging while there. I would like to suggest that we have an expression from Dr. Nelson, Dr. Patterson, Dr. Lipsey and Dr. Lovelace, in next week's Record on this matter. They live at Clinton and know whether such a gathering there would be desirable. Dr. Nelson could tell us how much per day our board would cost us. I wish other preacher-brethren throughout the state would also express themselves through the Record on this matter.

B. E. Phillips,

New Hebron, Miss.

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The meeting at First Church, West Point, resulted in 26 additions and the strengthening of the membership in many way. Dr. R. B. Gunter preached for ten days and the congregations grew with the close. Pastor E. F. Wright estimated that 200 people were turned away the last night who could not find room in the house. There were fourteen additions on the last day.

OUR AMBASSADORS TO OLD MEXICO

There sailed this week two members of the Spanish department of the Coliseum Place Church, Mr. and Mrs. —, to their former home, an important city of Mexico. The husband was born in the Canary Islands but was naturalized in Mexico—where he served in both the army and navy. He fought the Americans in Vera Cruz during the occupation of that city in 1914. Some years later they came to the United States, settling in New Orleans near our church—Mr. S— had always rebelled at the idea of Roman Catholicism.

The Spanish department of the Coliseum Place Church had recently been organized and brother Isaiah Valdivia was preaching regularly morning and night each Sunday in Spanish. Mr. S— heard of the new religion and visited the department. In the midst of the sermon Mr. S— arose and said: "I have been looking for this religion for fifty years. I have always felt in my heart that there ought to be a message like this for the world, etc." He and his wife were happily converted and became members of the department and church and have been active and consistent members through these years.

Mrs. S— during the time has been an ardent student of the Bible and has completed the Sunday school course of studies taught by brother Valdivia. Her brother in her home city was led to Christ through correspondence with her here in New Orleans. Since there was no Baptist Church in his city, he joined a little Presbyterian Church there, but now is very happy over the return of his sister and her husband in order that they with two or three other members of our department in that city may be able to organize a Baptist Church, because he says he wants to be baptized according to the teachings of the New Testament.

Brother and Mrs. S— are going back home with the idea of witnessing for Christ in their city and country and organizing a Baptist Church in one of the most important cities of Mexico. They are our ambassadors. Our Home Missions is paying Foreign Mission dividends.

Some years ago the writer took his college and seminary training with the idea of missionary service in Latin America, but was unable to go on account of the serious illness of his wife. The call came to the pastorate of the Coliseum Place Church. During these years of financial difficulties and changing conditions of this old downtown church, Spanish speaking people have been baptized from nearly every Spanish speaking country in the world—many of whom have returned to their native lands to witness for Christ. As a result of the return of this couple, we expect soon a new church on foreign soil organized out of members of our department and those whom they have won to Christ. Thus Coliseum Church has become a church of the nations and the pastor is realizing the dream of his youth for missionary service in Latin America.

S. G. Posey, Pastor

The Coliseum Place Baptist Church
New Orleans, Louisiana
March 17, 1933.

FORBIDDEN TO READ GOD'S WORD

Mrs. G. W. Strother, China, B.B.I. Student

Soon after coming to New Orleans I became interested in a beautiful, kind Italian woman in a fruit and vegetable stand. Several times we visited while she "bagged" the goods purchased. Each time I left her I longed to tell her of Jesus, but time and place seemed inconvenient.

One day the Spirit made me to know very definitely that I must go tell this little Italian woman about Jesus. I took a Gospel of John, underlined several passages, wrote a little message on the front page, started back to the fruit stand, and asked the Lord to talk through me, and make me tactful. I found her in the back of the store and told her I had come to talk quietly and privately for a few moments.

endeared himself to these people by his fine work and spirit.

As we talked my heart grew sadder, for though she admitted that those to whom she looked were not all they should be, yet she couldn't read the Bible, for they forbade her ever reading God's Word. She said, "I would like to but guess I'd better not." She said, "I trust Jesus to save me, and when I go to church Sunday morning oftentimes I do not know what they say, so I just pray to God myself."

I tried so hard to make her see that the Bible was the Word of God, that He meant it to be for all people, but years and years of training, and now "fear of man," made her refuse to even accept and read a portion of His book.

THE WASHINGTON CONVENTION

May 19-22

By F. F. Brown, President S. B. C.

We Must Do Something About Our Debts.

When the last word has been said, our Baptist work cannot move an inch until there is some plan to care for our heavy financial obligations. Many, many plans are being suggested. The Executive Committee will recommend some method of procedure. The recommendation ought to be faced, discussed, and decided upon its merits. We must keep in mind that the regular receipts to our Cooperative Program are steadily declining—that there is no possible way for advancement until a spirit of unselfish sacrifice moves us to lift the burden which now hampers and hinders all of our work. Last year a Debt-Paying policy was inaugurated by the Convention. Great groups of our people felt that the policy was not a wise one. Consequently there was no united effort to carry the instruction of the Convention to success.

Let me say from the depths of my heart that any plan—while, of course, some plans are wiser than others—any plan that has the united support of our Baptist people will succeed. Any plan that does not have the whole-hearted cooperation of our people surrounding it is doomed to failure. I am emphasizing this matter of our debts now because it is important that we think through the subject.

Let me say, too, that no plan which a Convention may adopt which does not commend itself to our pastors has any chance of success. There are no new words to describe this strategic position which the pastor holds in our denominational life.

Soul-Winning.

There ought to be a renewed emphasis upon soul-winning evangelism. What an opportunity we have to proclaim the sufficiency of Christ for every need and experience of life. How our opportunity is emphasized and understood by the thought that everything else in the world has failed. Oh, what an hour for the preaching of the unsearchable riches of Christ. And this opportunity for soul-winning is world-wide. And the encouraging conditions, the manifest blessings of God, the heart hunger of people around the world call and challenge us. All of this will come under the discussion of our missionary work but I want us to lift it out of committee and board reports and discussions and see that it has God's most persuasive call to us.

A Spirit of Worship.

I want to emphasize that the Convention must be pervaded by a spirit of worship. The Committee on Order of Business has given Dr. Truett the noon period every day of the Convention with the prayer that he may lead us into the very presence of God. When this period arrives day-by-day all discussions will cease. This period of worship must not be displaced. May we not pray that God's Spirit will take the moods and attitudes created in our hearts as we worship God and make them the moods and attitudes of every committee meeting, every conference, every discussion.

Surely in these critical days we know that if we advance we must advance on our knees.

Convention Board
Department

R. B. GUNTER, Cor. Sec'y.

This one thing we do, pay our debts.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF STATE BOARD
AND ITS EMPLOYEES

You will see below the names of those employed by the State Mission Board who did not receive pay for February and March and cannot be paid for April unless the churches take the matter to heart and send in much larger contributions than have been coming.

To this date, April 25th, we have received for the entire month of April for our Cooperative work a little more than \$4,000.00. This is not \$3.00 per church for seven worthy causes: Home, State and Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Hospitals, Aged Ministers and the Baptist Orphanage. Our churches are bidding for a greater depression than we are experiencing, we fear.

Could we have released the February receipts which were tied up on the first of March, we would have but little more than half the amount needed for retiring the \$20,000.00 which is a prior claim. But if every church in the state will do a reasonable part by the close of this month, we can retire the \$20,000.00 and pay all of our worthy helpers.

In the list we are giving below you will see the names of a number who have labored earnestly for the Denomination for many years. Their livelihood is dependent upon what the churches do. Read the list and then put yourself in their place and ask what you would want them to do were the order reversed. This will help you to see your duty and to relieve these faithful workers and to save the Cause.

Employees of the State Mission Board who cannot be paid without your help:

J. E. Byrd	L. F. Fowler
E. C. Williams	E. S. Flynt
W. R. Hunter	W. T. Graves
Miss Anna Vera Cameron	S. E. McAdory
Auber J. Wilds	C. J. Olander
Mrs. B. M. Stubblefield	M. V. Owings
Miss Marian Leavell	W. C. Hamilton
Miss Virginia Witte	T. W. Hembree
F. T. Bailey	J. R. G. Hewlett
O. R. Hendrix	J. A. Landers
C. W. Sullivan	F. H. Miller
Bible teacher at Jackson Col.	W. W. Muirhead
W. S. Allen	G. W. Pitts
R. O. Bankston	O. H. Richardson
C. E. Bass	J. J. Roberts
J. L. Boyd	W. H. Smith
W. C. Bryant	G. H. Suttle
Raymond Butler	A. P. Wells
L. S. Cole	H. M. Whitten
E. I. Farr	Audie Wilson

What agency is strongest in the moulding of opinion and character in the children in your home. Is it secular literature, or religious literature? The present demoralization in our country today, low standards, low ideals, wrong conceptions of life are due to the character of periodicals going into the homes.

The church at Canton on last Sunday called Dr. L. Bracy Campbell as pastor, and he has accepted to move on the field as soon as possible after June first. In the meantime he will preach for the church two Sundays in the month while he continues to give two Sundays for a short time at Summit where he has been pastor for several years. Dr. Campbell taught for a few years in the Baptist Bible Institute after teaching and preaching in Mississippi. He will do excellent work in this field of great opportunity. Dr. W. T. Lowrey has been supplying at Canton since the death of Dr. J. J. Mayfield and has

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss. President—Mrs. A. J. Aven, Clinton, Miss. Stewardship Leader—Mrs. Herman Dean, Brookhaven, Miss.
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THANK GOD FOR YOU!

Thank God for you! good friend of mine,
Seldom is friendship such as thine;
How very much I wish to be
As helpful as you've been to me.

Thank God for you!

Of many prayer-guests, one thou art
Of whom I ask God to impart
Rich blessings from his store-house rare,
And grant to you his gracious care.

Thank God for you!

When I recall from time to time
How you inspired this heart of mine,
I find myself inclined to pray,
"God bless my friend this very day."

—Selected.

The above words express my sincere thanks for the many friends who have said to me in the last few months, "You are on my daily prayer list." Will you continue to pray that every woman of us will follow our Christ who never showed despondency nor discouragement, even though He had not a place to lay His head. He stands in our midst today in this hour of unrest commanding us to Launch Out into the Deep.

The W.M.S. of Vardaman Baptist Church in Calhoun County, is to be congratulated on their fine spirit of cooperation, attendance, and their good programs. The young people have been or-

ganized and are especially interested in the Sunbeam Band. They do quite a bit of local mission work and sent a nice box to the Orphanage in November. Much of the credit is due to the President, Mrs. G. M. Herring, who has been untiring in her effort for several years.

By—A Friend,

SPEAKERS FOR MAY 23 MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON

As exciting as the past four weeks have been throughout the entire country, nowhere has the tension been as great as in Washington, which has witnessed the inauguration of a new president and the dynamic launching of that president's program. Washington people generally have felt as Mrs. Roosevelt expressed herself as feeling,—one was afraid to go to bed at night for fear of missing something important. Cheer-ed by the confidence of the new president, encouraged by his optimism, warmed by his radiant smile, impressed by his reliance on prayer, Washingtonians are feeling more hopeful than for many months. They believe that the oft prophesied but illusive corner has at last been turned and that the path is upgrade.

The Baptists are planning steadily and hopefully for the ten days of meetings incident to the coming of the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions in May and the Woman's Missionary Union and the Atlantic District Associa-

tion. Surely no time could be more opportune for such gatherings in Washington than the present which is witnessing the beginning of a new administration, upon which are fixed the hopes of millions.

The Woman's Missionary Union will start the meetings on May 18, in Constitution Hall, followed immediately by the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in the Washington Auditorium. Between the meetings of the Northern and Southern Conventions will be held joint meetings on May 23, which will be of particular interest.

At the mass meetings for both men and women the speakers will include Dr. John MacNeill of Toronto, Canada, president of the Baptist World Alliance; Dr. J. Clyde Turner of Greensboro, N. C., a denominational leader of the South; Dr. Clarence A. Barbour, president of Brown University; and Dr. George W. Truett, of Dallas, Texas, well known to Baptists of America.

On the afternoon when the women hold their joint meeting in beautiful Constitution Hall, the speakers will be Mrs. W. J. Cox, president of the Woman's Missionary Union and enshrined in the hearts of all Southern women; Mrs. George Caleb Moore, president of the American Home Mission Society; and Mrs. Herbert Goodman, president of American Foreign Mission Society of the Northern Baptist Convention.—Ann Wingfield Jackson, Washington Chairman of W. M. U. Publicity.

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had accomplished little in making a more equitable distribution of funds given to the Cooperative Program, and so in the interest of economy only persons definitely charged with the responsibility of Southwide agencies were called to Nashville.

While in the recent meeting of the Executive Committee there was greater frankness in calling questionable practices by the right names, the spirit of brotherly love ruled and there was a constant effort to live by the Golden Rule. We kept asking ourselves whether we would have resisted successfully the temptation to which some of our brethren have yielded, if we had been in their place. We are wondering how much longer the ship we call the Cooperative Program will be able to sail through a tempestuous sea with such a dangerous list, more than three-fourths of the cargo having been shifted to the State side of the vessel, while the Southwide side is high in the air. We cannot forget the fate of the Vestris on its voyage from New York to Rio de Janeiro, nor can we forget that two noble missionaries and their fine son went down with it to a watery grave. Who can tell us how to bring our Baptist Cooperative Program back to an even keel? If this cannot be done, let us bear in mind that cooperative work within the States will go down when cooperation between the Southern Convention and the States goes on the rocks. We can sail the seas together on an even keel, or we can founder together. For my part, I plead for a return to a genuine Cooperative Program.

Some of our leaders are ready to scrap the Cooperative Program altogether. They tell us that most of our Southwide agencies are facing bankruptcy, and that we have held on to the so-called Cooperative Program too long. The time has come, they tell us, for a new deal, a plan whereby each agency can make its own appeal to the churches and receive in full measure the gifts intended for it. A revolutionary movement just now would almost certainly

bring disaster to all our agencies. We must stand by the Cooperative Program. Every church should make a budget, put on a campaign of stewardship and make the every member canvass, emphasizing the tithe as the minimum in our giving. We must give to the support of our church and to missions at home and abroad. In practice few of our churches have attained this ideal.

After listening through three strenuous sessions to the discussions of the Executive Committee on April 12th I retired late at night with a heavy heart. About 2 A. M. I awoke and for more than an hour I prayed for my brethren. First of all I talked to the heavenly Father as earnestly as I could on behalf of Fred Brown, President of the Convention and chairman of the Executive Committee, a man who carries burdens heavy enough to crush the strongest man. I besought the Lord to deal graciously with him and to give him wisdom and strength to lead us out of the bog which threatens to engulf us. I prayed for my colleagues among the Southwide agencies, for Maddy and Ray of the Foreign Board, for Lawrence of the Home Board, for Van Ness of the Sunday School Board and Watts of the Relief and Annuity Board, for Scarborough and the Southwestern Seminary, for Hamilton and the Baptist Bible Institute, for Bristow and the New Orleans Hospital and for Crouch, the Executive Secretary of the Convention. An hour passed by as I poured out my heart to the loving God on behalf of the members of the Executive Committee, that they might be guided to the best possible solution of the problems before them. Somehow I felt that the heavenly Father was really listening to the pleading of His unworthy servant on behalf of his brethren. Who will join me in praying for wisdom from on high as we face toward the Convention in Washington?

In the first week of a meeting at Northwest Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, evangelist J. W. Hickerson reports 34 additions, 27 by baptism, and another week to go. On April 30 he will be with Pastor W. M. Fore at Prichard, Ala.; and

then may be had for other meetings in these parts.—The Ex. Com. of the So. Bap. Convention reports receipts for all southwide objects in March \$34,068.86, including \$7,603.50 designated to specific objects in the program. Twelve states contributed to the program and six did not.—It is said that Dr. A. J. Holt of Arcadia recently had a paralytic stroke and that his recovery is doubtful.—We are sorry to learn that Dr. J. P. Williams of Mendenhall fell last Friday and broke his hip bone. He is being cared for at the Baptist Hospital in Jackson.

—BR—

Dr. Arch C. Cree of Salisbury, N. C., is planning to lead another select, privately managed party of discriminating friends on a tour of Europe, sailing on the SS Berlin on the North German Lloyd, on June 22nd. Out of his experience of many years in foreign travel, Dr. Cree is not only superbly able to conduct such a tour, with pleasure and profit, but being a Scotchman, he is able to do it at a modest cost. If any of our friends, who are interested in such a tour next summer, will write us, we shall be happy to introduce them to Dr. Cree.

—BR—

Dr. G. S. Dobbins writes that Dr. L. R. Christie will preach the Commencement sermon for the Louisville Seminary Sunday, April 30, 8 P. M., Fourth Ave Church. Dr. A. Paul Bagby will make the missionary address Monday. Dr. C. L. Graham will deliver the alumni address Tuesday. Closing exercises Tuesday night. There are 81 graduating, with various degrees; five from Ala., three from Ark., one from Cal., one from Col., two from Florida, four from Ga., two from Ill., one from Iowa, 6 from Ind., eight from Ky., three from La., one from Mich., one from Mont., four from Mo., one from N.Y., 13 from N.C., three from Ohio, one from Ok., seven from S.C., four from Tenn., two from Texas, five from Va., and three from Miss. viz: W. L. Cooper, Th.B.; G. A. Ritchey and H. E. Spell, Th.M.

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East Mississippi Department

By R. L. BRELAND

Dr. F. M. Purser recently closed
a revival meeting in his church, the
First Baptist Church, Oxford, in
which he did the preaching, at the
close of which 18 were baptized
into the fellowship of the church.

Pastor J. M. Metts is planning a
revival meeting in Water Valley
church sometime in May in which
Rev. W. A. (Slick) Green, of Mead-
ville, will do the preaching. Local
talent will conduct the singing.

The second Sunday in April Rev.
J. M. Metts reports that 6 came in-
to the Camp Ground Baptist Church
on a profession of faith at one of
his usual Sunday afternoon serv-
ices. This is unusual but splendid.

Rev. N. F. Metts, of Oxford, one
of our most elderly Baptist pastors,
who serves a number of rural
churches, was at the recent meet-
ing of the Pastors' Assembly which
met at Water Valley. He is active,
sound in the faith and loves his
Lord. May his days of usefulness be
multiplied.

Rev. R. A. Morris, the splendid
pastor of Holly Springs Baptist
Church, was at the Assembly meet-
ing and delivered a splendid mes-
sage on "The Permanent Meaning
and Value of Pentecost." It was
greatly enjoyed by those present.
He reports progress in his work at
Holly Springs.

The church at Oakland, Rev. J. H.
Page pastor, recently held a BYPU
study course and more than 50
awards were given at the close. He
was ably assisted by Mrs. Page,
Mrs. C. C. Pate and Mr. Luther
Clements.

The Bible Study Assembly met at
Water Valley April 17th. The atten-
dance was not as large as usual,
but the work and enthusiasm were
up to the high standard. Sermon
outlines and a discourse by Rev. R.
A. Morris, of Holly Springs, took
up the morning hour. The afternoon
was devoted to the study and dis-
cussion of I Corinthians, chapters
14, 15, 16. A committee was appoint-

ed to confer with our state prohibi-
tion leaders relative to some speak-
ing rallies in this part of the state
on prohibition. The enemies are
active, so others should get busy.
The committee: R. B. Patterson, J.
M. Metts, J. W. Hicks, E. R. Hen-
derson. The next meeting, May 22nd,
will be held with Duncan Hill
church, Calhoun County. The ladies
of Water Valley Baptist Church
supplied all present with an excel-
lent lunch (dinner), and they were
voted thanks for their kindness.

Occasionally I get a letter from
some brother or sister calling my
attention to mistakes in these writ-
ings. Feel free to do this, all of you.
I am not infallible, so I make mis-
takes. Any suggestion or correction
will be appreciated.

Since my last report on my work
for the summer the church at Jacin-
to, in the northeastern part of the
state, has asked me to assist in its
meeting the first Sunday and week
following in August. Will be glad
to be with Pastor Perry and his
good people.

When I was young I heard a song:
"Beware, my little Miss, he's fool-
ing you." That is precisely what
those are trying to do who say that
3.2 beer is not intoxicating. If it
were not intoxicating the booze-
heads would not want it, but would
buy their "soda" which costs less.
One of the makers has said in his
advertisement, "it is the same old
beer you used to get"; and he told
the truth. And we know that the
old beer made people drunk. Thanks
to Gov. Conner for his "dry stand"
on the booze question. It would be
a shame to call the legislature to
pass on the beer question. So far
as I am concerned I am willing for
the other states to get the tax on
beer, they will also have most of
the expense of courts and other
costs.

Last week's papers carried two
very sad incidents among others:
one was of the death of Dr. W. A.
Borum, at Natchez, one of our good
preachers, and the other was of the
serious injury to Rev. J. P. Wil-
liams, of Mendenhall. Two of our
best men are connected here, and
sympathy is extended.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY COURSE

The Jones County Baptist Sunday
School Study Course which was held
at the West Laurel Baptist Church
the week following March the 19th,
had a wonderful attendance. The
spirit of cooperation among the
churches of the association was
manifested in a great way. The av-
erage attendance for the five nights
was 240 with a total of eleven
churches represented.

The school was under the direc-
tion of E. C. Williams, Wyatt Hun-
ter and Miss Anna Vera Cameron,
from the Sunday School Department
of the Baptist State Convention
Board. The Jones County teachers
who contributed to the success of
the meetings were Mrs. L. G. Gates,
Mrs. Upshaw, Rev. Bruce Hilbun,
Rev. Lowrey Compere and Mr. Goode
Montgomery, Sr.

A special treat was provided at
the closing period on Friday night,
when the BYPU Department of the

First Baptist Church presented the
missionary playlet, "The Heroine of
Ava," by Dorothy Wittenmeyer. The
entire audience was stirred, and the
missionary spirit was quickened.
The cast of the play was as follows:
Ann Hasseltine — Martha Ellen
Hurst.

Adoniram Judson — Hilton Mc-
Crory.

Mrs. Hasseltine—Mrs. Luther Den-
ham.

Mr. Hasseltine—Lewis H. Bever-
ley.

Abby, Mary and Rebecca, Ann's
sisters—Mary Seale, Hazel Ham-
mett and Marguerite Thompson.

Luther Rice—Arthur Moody.

Burmese Woman—Mrs. Arthur
Moody.

—BR—

In Memoriam

MRS. J. C. WATKINS

Mrs. J. C. Watkins was born Dec.
21, 1878, married December 24,
1896, died March 27, 1933. She was
the mother of twelve children, 7
girls and 5 boys; 10 grandchildren,
all living. Has been a member of
the Baptist Church thirty-nine
years, recently of membership at
Fairfield Baptist Church. She was
loved by all, a loving mother, a
devoted wife, a devout Christian, a
lover of her church and community;
always welcomed the pastor with a
smile and with the best things of
the home.

She will be greatly missed by
the entire community but our loss
is Heaven's gain. Buried at Fair-
field Cemetery, March 28.

Her pastor,
S. E. Nix.

—BR—

MRS. D. G. MOHLER

W. S. Allen

In the recent death of Mrs. D. G.
Mohler, one of the noblest women
who ever lived on the Mississippi
Coast, passed to a glorious reward.
She had been a member of the First
Baptist Church of Gulfport for more
than twenty-five years. She was an
active worker in the W.M.S. and
served as President for a number
of years. Mrs. Mohler was a devo-
ted wife, a loyal friend, a devout and
consecrated Christian. She died as
she had lived in the triumph of a
glorious faith. She could truthfully
say: "To me to live is Christ,
and to die is gain." At her request
the funeral was conducted by the
writer, assisted by the pastor, Rev.
B. Locke Davis, and Rev. J. L. Neil,
pastor of the First Methodist
Church. At the church members of
the W.M.U. formed an honor guard
at the church door and the Lula
Mohler Circle, named for her fol-
lowed the casket to the altar and
occupied special pews. Her body
was laid to rest in the Long Beach
Cemetery. She is survived by her
husband, a sister and two brothers,
and a host of relatives and friends.

—BR—

OBITUARY OF DAVE HOKE

On March 6 the Lord called our
beloved brother and oldest deacon
of New Hope Church (Lafayette
County), Bro. Dave Hoke, to his
heavenly rest. Our hearts are
grieved. Our loss is his eternal

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gain. In his home life he was all
that could be desired, loving, gentle,
devoted, industrious, constantly work-
ing for the comfort and happiness
of others. He was always true to
the cause of Christ. He not only
labored in the Lord's work but gave
material support. A good and hon-
est, upright citizen and will be
greatly missed. Burial in Old Emory
Cemetery, Panola County. Rev. N.
F. Metts conducted the funeral
services assisted by Rev. W. M.
McGehee and Bro. Davenport of
Tyro.

H. D. Wooten, Committee.

—BR—

YOUNG JEW CONVERTED IN BI- BLE INSTITUTE BUILDING

Miss Jennie Lee Hunt, Student from
New Mexico

Student Edward S. Lieberman, an
earnest soul-winner, was specially
happy a few days ago over the con-
version of a Jewish young man
named William Oppenheimer. Mr.
Oppenheimer had wandered into the
campus one morning, and seating
himself on one of the benches, was
watching the kindergarten children
at their play. Miss Martin, kind-
ergarten teacher, called Mr. Lieber-
man's attention to the young man,
and in this way they became ac-
quainted, and taking him to his
room Mr. Lieberman talked and
prayed with Mr. Oppenheimer that
afternoon.

The following Saturday the young
Jew returned, and with the aid of
students Rust and Reedy, Mr. Lieb-
erman led Mr. Oppenheimer to ac-
cept Christ while the four were
praying in the office of Dr. John
W. Shepard, head of the Department
of Missions.

Mr. Oppenheimer is twenty-one
years of age, and is engaged in the
sale of groceries. Mr. Lieberman, a
Jewish convert of eight months, is
from New York, and came as a
student of B.B.I. from the First
Baptist Church at Greenwood, South
Carolina. He was led to accept
Christ by Baptist workers in Green-
wood, and has won a place of confi-
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own Jewish people to accept the
Christ as their Saviour and Lord.

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MRS. P. I. LIPSEY

My Dear Children:

What a time of change this is! As I was writing you of a change in the life of our son in Geneva and that of his family, a still greater change was being discussed, and a few days later there came to us the news that he was to be transferred to the United States. By the time you read this he will doubtless be in Washington, having been sent by the Associated Press on the same ship which brought the distinguished visitor from France, Monsieur Herriot, and if you want to pronounce the last named gentleman's name leave off the first letter and the last. The Associated Press, the great World Power for which our son, P. I. Lipsey, Jr., has been working in Europe for nearly six years, does not like for its men to stay away from their native land for more than a few years. So for that reason and also on account of disturbed conditions over there, as everywhere, the time has come for him to come home. And will we be glad to have them on this side of the water with us? Perhaps now some of the fine members of the Jeannie Lipsey Clubs may see their little name-girl, Jeannie. She and her mother and sister will not be here quite as soon as their Papa, but before long they hope to be in Washington with him.

I am sending to Dr. Hamilton today for Miss Vera Martin, eight dollars, and to Bro. Miller at the Orphanage ten dollars. By an extra gift lately, we had these amounts, and I am sending them as our April contribution rather than hold them till the end of the month. As you see, our Circle is still holding up in its gifts, and I believe will keep on doing so.

Much love from

Mrs. Lipsey.

Bible Questions No. 17. April 27th.
Nathan's Parable of the Ewe Lamb.
II Sam. 12:1-13.

1. Who was Nathan? II Sam. 7:2.
2. Tell the little story that Nathan told to David?
3. How did David feel about the rich man in this story? What did he say the man must do?
4. What did Nathan say to him? II Sam. 12:7,9,10.
5. Was David sorry he had had Uriah killed? Was he sorry he had already taken his wife?
6. Could David's being sorry bring back Uriah's life?
7. Whom did David say he had sinned against?
8. Was he forgiven? Verse 13.
9. Read the 51st Psalm, that David wrote at this time.

Montrose, Miss.

April 10, 1933.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Our Papa takes the Record and Mother has just finished reading your Page to us. We always enjoy it so much. We have two white rabbits for pets. Peter Rabbit and Bunnie Rabbit are their names. We have a little baby sister only three weeks old. Her name is Betty Lorene. We hope next time to have some money to send the Orphans. Our uncle and aunt have adopted them a little baby boy from the Home. He is so precious, we just love him.

With love,

Nannie Mae and
Annie Kate Sumrall.

If I were to say you are twins, Annie and Nannie, would that be a good guess? I mean, are you? Anyhow, this is a mighty nice letter of yours, telling of two babies and two rabbits. There was four cents in the letter; I have given it to the Orphans. Thank you, and do

come again. I want to know baby boy's name.

Mrs. P. I. Lipsey,
Clinton, Mississippi.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Your check received this morning for \$8.00 from the Children's Circle for the BBI work in charge of Miss Vera Martin.

The banking holidays have made it extremely embarrassing for us, and we have continued the great mission work here as best we could under the many limitations. You will see from this how much the more we do appreciate the help given us by the Children's Circle.

God has greatly blessed the mission work in New Orleans, and it would gladden your heart and the hearts of the children if they could be with our students in the services held in the different sections of the city. Groups of children gather about the workers and are told Bible stories and get their first information concerning the way of salvation through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Again thanking you and the children, and with every good wish, I am

Yours gratefully,

W. W. Hamilton.

We greatly appreciate this kind letter from Dr. Hamilton.

A PRODIGAL SON RETURNS TO HIS MOTHER

B. H. Conder, Student, Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La.

It was my first visit to the Rescue Mission. As we entered the place of worship I was surprised to see so many men and to note the ages of the men. It seemed that at least half of the hundred and fifty or seventy-five were past middle age, and many of that number with white hair, facing the sunset of life.

There were yet other surprises awaiting me. After a very forceful and appealing message was given, the call came, "Who is on the Lord's side? Let him stand and thereby testify to the fact." It was heart-breaking to see only a small portion down front stand on this proposition. It was yet more pathetic, when the call was given for those who would take a stand for the Lord or remain for prayer, to see those white haired men file out, as though they would never have to face God.

Thank God for praying mothers! "God works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform." His Word will not return unto Him void. There was one young man in the audience who, when the call was made to remain for prayer, came to the front while the older men were filing out. Later on he was gloriously saved.

He had been given a tract that day on the street. No doubt that had set his heart to thinking of Mother and home, yes also on God, and no doubt on his own sins. He

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got on a freight train to go back home to Tennessee but was put off and had wandered into the mission and there was led to know his Lord as Master. He told us afterward that his mother was a member of a Baptist Church back home, and he was going back to her and tell her that he had been saved.

Since other great nations have abandoned the gold standard, France is beginning to feel like the mythological man who asked the favor of the gods that everything he touched might turn to gold. His request was granted with the result that all his food turned to gold. France now has the gold and is afraid that the other nations have got the business.—Poor little Princess Elizabeth: had a birthday party having reached the age of seven, and had her grandma and grandpa, the king and queen for guests. Wouldn't she have enjoyed romping with the kids next door?—Prof. A. Einstein has renounced his Prussian citizenship in protest against Germany's treatment of Jews.—What do folks, who complained that government by prohibition was invading personal rights, now think of the president of the United States being given authority to say how much cotton you may plant in your field?—Gulfport celebrated last Friday and Saturday its thirtieth anniversary as a seaport. Someday it is destined to be one of the chief shipping points on the Gulf of Mexico.

THE RESCUE MISSION

L. C. Holcomb, Baptist Bible Institute Student

It was my privilege one night in September to preach at the Baptist Rescue Mission. There were more than one hundred men of many nationalities at the service. The subject was, "What shall I do with Jesus?" Several of the men became intensely interested, and at the close of the service some of them held up their hands asking for prayer.

While we were singing the closing hymn a fine looking young man from a northern state came down to the front and gave me his hand. After the other men were dismissed this young man stayed with us to learn more about the Saviour and

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to pray with us.

He said that he had felt the burden of sin for a long time and had sought everywhere he went to find some one who would tell him a remedy for his sin, and now he had found that refuge. The thing that especially impressed me was how the young man, even though he was ragged and dirty, was rejoicing because he had just received the greatest present that was ever given—Jesus, God's Son.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE APRIL 23, 1933

Jackson, First Church	944
Jackson, Calvary Church	1,096
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	512
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	500
Jackson, Parkway Church	217
Jackson, Northside Church	98
Brookhaven, First Church	658
Columbus, First Church	880
McComb, First Church	483
Clarksdale Baptist Church	393
Charleston Baptist Church	215

BYPV ATTENDANCE APRIL 23.

Jackson, First Church	134
Jackson, Calvary Church	142
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	230
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	227
Jackson, Northside Church	55
Brookhaven, First Church	214
Columbus, First Church	161
McComb, First Church	138
Clarksdale Baptist Church	104

Small girl (to Customs official searching her mother's case): "Oh, you're getting warm, isn't he, Mummy?"—Ex.

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TWO NEW JUNIOR BYPU'S

We are glad to enroll two new Junior BYPU's, one at Johnston Station, with Miss Idelle Anderson leader, and the other at Richland church in Rankin County, with Miss Laura Harper as leader. Both of these churches are pastored by Bro. A. W. Talbert who is known all over Mississippi for his interest and work in BYPU.

DIVISIONAL BYPU MEETING TO BE IN CLARKSDALE

Divisional BYPU Vice-President Charles Howse announces a meeting of his division in Clarksdale on Sunday, May 7th. The counties included in this division are Tunica, Coahoma, Quitman, DeSoto, Tate, Panola. A program has been planned. Dr. Dodd will be there and will speak to the gathering which in itself will assure good returns for any effort in attending the meeting. It is hoped that a large number from all over the division will be present.

FOUR SENIOR BYPU'S ADDED TO GROWING LIST

They continue to believe that to have good church workers they must be trained and to get them trained they must have a training service, hence four new unions for Seniors have been organized. Abbeville organizes with Joe Willie Goodwin elected president, Rubye Gunter, vice-president, Chrystine Cook, secretary, Inez Livingston, treasurer, Joe Roy, Bible readers' leader, Johnnie Goodwin, chorister. Bay St. Louis organizes with Miss Gladys Speer elected to the honored place of president. Ramah in Franklin Association organizes with Mrs. Sam Lewis leading them with a bright outlook for a progressive march and Crystal Springs adds to their list a young B.A.U. This organization is made up of the younger adults and fills a need that is acute in most churches. This young B.A.U. goes by the name of "Gleaners."

FT. BAYOU, JACKSON COUNTY, EMPHASIZES STUDY

We are always happy to hear of a BYPU that has caught the spirit of Study Course. The Ft. Bayou church in Jackson County has this spirit, having recently taken the BYPU Manual with large success. They already have plans to have another course in May in which they will study "Pilgrim's Progress." Why not have a study course each quarter? Surely no union will be satisfied with less than two study courses a year.

LELAND B.Y.P.U. PROGRESSES UNDER EFFICIENT LEADERSHIP OF DIRECTOR

It is interesting to see how readily an organization will respond to the tactful leadership of an efficient leader. The Leland BYPU's are doing a splendid work under the leadership of Miss Elois Tolar, their director. Recently they observed

study course week and the reports are that the best course they have ever had was enjoyed with nearly 95% of those enrolled in classes taking the examination on the last night. Pastor J. W. Faulkner is right with the director in this progressive march and has the love of all his young people.

The Madison County BYPU Association held its quarterly meeting in the Center Terrace church in Canton April 16 at 2:30 P. M. The association has met in every Baptist Church in the county having BYPU's. The subject was "Mental Health" and a lovely message was brought by Mrs. Charles Mansell of Camden, challenging the young people to mental training in the BYPU hospital or clinic where the Great Physician, Jesus, guides them to "Study to show themselves approved unto God." The nurses who are the directors and leaders, offer aid and food for mental health.

BYPU problems were discussed and the secret to the success of a union was found to lie in proper mental preparation of its members, plus the cooperation of the parents and Adult unions.

Dr. Bracey Campbell of Summit, formerly of B.B.I. gave a splendid closing message.

Madison Station Seniors were 100% in attendance with about 85% efficiency, thus capturing both banners over the other unions. The Madison Seniors have been Standard for the past two quarters and are proud of their record, but still prouder for the many blessings derived from their faithful work. May we have more to join their ranks.

Chrystine Clark,
Pres. Madison Co. BYPU.

The Madison County BYPU held its annual social on the Canton Fair Grounds April 14th. Many of the unions and churches were represented, including the majority of the county officers. Mr. Earl Clark of Jackson, President of District One, honored the county with his presence and brought some of the officers of Jackson unions. All that was needed to make the social complete was more of our pastors and Mr. Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary.

Churches represented were: Canton First Baptist, Center Terrace, Canton, Camden, Farmhaven and Madison Station. The unions are looking forward to the clinic and district meetings in Madison County this quarter.

The wholesome recreation planned by BYPU leaders offers growth, not only socially, but spiritually, mentally and physically.

I am happy to say that our BYPU work in the Franklin Associational BYPU is doing fine. We have only been organized since the first of this year but we are on our way to do our part.

Our next program will be held on the fifth Sunday this month at Edgerton church.

I am using program in our monthly BYPU Magazine for our program. I am yours for better BYPU, Winfield Rodriguez, President of Franklin Associational B Y P U

TAYLORSVILLE

After having been out of the work for almost two years because of ill health, we have great cause for rejoicing that the Lord has led us to this good field. There are some of the best Christians here to be found anywhere in all the land. They work and pray. This church has had some of the very best pastors, and the fruits of their labors can be seen on every hand. Brother J. W. Hudson led the church to build a house of worship that is one of the most practical and economical I have seen in a town of the size of Taylorsville. Brother Wm. Lowrey Comper did a wonderful work during his stay of about two years. The people responded in a great way to the leadership of God's servants.

We arrived on Tuesday night, March 14th, and found awaiting us a large number of the members at the pastor's home. They had the house well cleaned and lighted, the good women had added some furniture that was needed by the new pastor and family and, on a large table in the kitchen were more good things to eat than we had seen in one house for a long time. Many who are not members of the Baptist Church have joined in giving us a warm welcome.

We are planning to have Sunday school and BYPU study courses in the near future, and the members of the church are enthusiastic in going forward for the glory of God. Pray for us.

S. J. Rhodes, Pastor.

PRAYING ON THE STREET D. L. Goodman, Baptist Bible Institute Student

Leaving the dormitory one evening for the assignments on Canal at Rampart and the French Market, we discovered only one present for the Canal assignment. Dividing the group to fill both assignments. I was selected to preach at Canal and Rampart.

After a song and prayer I did my best with the subject, "Does Godliness Pay?" Several were present for the meeting, and among them a man who came up during the service and took his place with the others listening to the message. After a few minutes he turned to walk away and one of the young men with us stopped him and began to talk to him about his soul. After the message the worker called me to him, and I found this man very much disturbed about his soul, and saying that he must find the peace about which I had been talking. Several passages of Scripture were read, assuring him that if he would believe on Christ he could have that peace.

After the reading I asked him to kneel in prayer. Down he fell on his knees. The worker and I prayed with him and asked him to pray. This he readily did, and after a few words he broke completely down. At

the close of the prayer he arose with tears streaming down his face, but mingled with the tears was a smile of hope and peace.

Being here several months before having such an experience, I must confess that on several occasions, when reading in papers of similar experiences, I doubted their reality. However, this experience drove away all doubts, for the man evidently surrendered his life to God and came into a new hope and had a new Master of his soul.

PRAYING FOR BREAD

Miss Emily Wallace, Baptist Bible Institute Student

At the Municipal Home for Boys we have two Sunday school classes and are teaching the book of Mark. I have the boys from nine to twelve and the assignment is held on Sunday afternoon.

One Sunday I told them of several problems of my life that had been solved by faith, and how I was coming to school here on faith and was being cared for. Then I asked them if they had an experience they wanted to tell us about.

One of the boys said that his father was dead and that the children were all small, and one night they had bread and potatoes for supper, which was the last of the food. They did not have anything for breakfast, but the mother told them a bed-time story, tucked them into bed and sang while they went to sleep, washing the dishes and straightening up before going to bed.

This boy did not go to sleep immediately, but watched his mother. He had asked for something to eat before bed-time, and had been told they had nothing. He asked what they would eat in the morning, and was told not to worry, that the Heavenly Father would give them something in the morning. The boy saw his mother go to her knees beside the bed and heard her ask God to "please give my babies something to eat." The next morning a basket of food was found on the doorstep. They had enough to eat for several days, and then the mother found work.

Working Women

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Sunday School Lesson

WHO ENTERS THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Sunday School Lesson for April 30, 1933; Mark 10:13-27.

The story of Jesus and the little children and the one about the rich young ruler have this in common that they speak of the conditions of entering the kingdom of God. One tells of the qualification for admission; the other tells of the chief hindrance. The child-like quality admits you. The love of money excludes you. Both of these were a source of astonishment to the disciples.

I. The Little Children.

We instinctively think of those who brought the children as mothers, though fathers may have been among them. Those who have learned to know Jesus are invariably concerned that their children should be brought to Him. They are our greatest treasures. Lack of concern about them shows lack of acquaintance with Jesus. These people believed truly that the touch of Jesus on the heads of these children would bring a blessing on their lives.

The disciples rebuked them because it seemed an interference with what Jesus was teaching and doing. They were more interested in discussion of controverted questions than in people. Children to them seemed unimportant. May be they had none of their own.

Jesus was indignant. It was an attempted interference with His work. They showed a poor sense of values. He spoke sharply: "Let the little children come; forbid them not." The sight of the children went to his heart. "To such belongeth the kingdom of God." Here in them are the very qualities that are of the essence of the kingdom of God. He does not say that these children are in the kingdom of God. There is no intimation that children are already saved. But of such is the kingdom, or to such belongs the kingdom.

That is the qualities characteristic of little children are those that characterize the true children of God. We may learn from them the things which appeal to the heart of God, and give people access to Him and draw Him to them. The things in a little child that touch the heart of a good man or a good woman and draw out our souls to them, these are the things that draw out the heart of God toward men. What are they? You will readily answer,

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helplessness, dependence, trustfulness, innocence, absence of self-seeking, self-assertiveness and self-will; the knowledge that they are little children and thus in need of protection and support of others. And you may wish to add genuineness. What you value in little children, God values in you. It is only as one comes to God in this way that entrance is secured to the kingdom of God.

II. The other story, that of the rich young ruler treats of the same thing, entrance into the kingdom, but principally as to the great common hindrance, clinging to worldly possessions.

This young man was one of those who are drawn to Jesus by His exalted teaching. He was very earnest and enthusiastic: he ran to Him. He was exceedingly courteous and deferential: he kneeled to him. This does not mean that he recognized Jesus as supernatural. Everything indicates the contrary. But he was deferential to Him as a "good teacher."

A man who knows as much as this about Jesus ought to know more. To acknowledge Him as a Teacher is not enough. It may be an offense. To go no further than this is fatal. And Jesus indicates as much by His answer: Why callest thou me good; none is good but God. If Jesus is good, He is God. If He is not God, He is not good; for He proclaimed Himself to be equal with God, the Son of God. "He that denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father."

What shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? Those who try hardest to live right and succeed best are the ones who are most conscious that they come short. There was something which told him that he did not possess it. And that is well. He had come to the right place for direction. And that is good.

Jesus proceeds to set up the standards of the Mosaic Law. He puts before him one after another the law about murder, about adultery, about stealing, about lying, about defrauding, about honoring his father and mother. He measures up to them all, at least in his understanding of them and the common interpretation of them. And yet there is a great void in his soul. What lack I yet? A mere outward conformity does not satisfy. Paul said, I know nothing against myself; and yet I am not thereby justified. And this young man had observed them from his youth.

Jesus was deeply moved by his candor and his clean life. Looking upon him He loved him. His heart went out to him. And He will be faithful to him. Nothing must be covered up: One thing thou lackest. He now gets down to the bottom of it all. There is always some one thing that is holding the unsaved man back. And it must be brought out.

In this case it is his earthly possessions. He was rich and his heart was in that. He cannot be saved unless he is saved from this. The only way he can be saved from it is to part with it. If your money is like your clothes and you can part with it without pain, well and good. But if it is like your skin, a part of yourself, you will have to part

with it. But don't be deceived. Unless you are willing to part with it at the command of Jesus, you can't get into the kingdom of God.

It is probable that more people go to hell on this account than any other one thing. The disciples were much astonished at this. And if it were preached today as Jesus preached it, there would be many who would say, Then there's no hope for anybody. And there is not, unless God loosens the grip of money from the hearts of men.

Baptist Student Union

BLUE MOUNTAIN

The Baptist Student Union of Blue Mountain College has elected the following girls to serve on the B.S.U. Council during the year 1933-34 President, Lucy Carleton Wilds, Oxford; First Vice-President, Louise Leavell, Oxford; Second Vice-President, Martha Bigham, Sumner; Third Vice-President, Frances Dozier, Fulton; Secretary, Louise Curtis, Louisville; Treasurer, Juanita Creech, Mansfield, La.; Chorister, Nell Hood, Quitman; Pianist, Frances DeFoore, Sidon; Reporter, Amy Lee Stepp, N. Carrollton; Prayer Meeting Director, Velma Scott, Ty-lertown; Sunday School Superintendent, Mary Jo Knox, Vicksburg; Y.W.A. Director, Fannie Mae Izard, New Hebron; Student Government Representative, Ruby Paulk, Tupelo; Faculty Representative, Ruby Talbot, Ashville, N. C.; B.Y.P.U. Director, to be elected.

L. Leavell, Reporter.

M. W. C.

The officers of the new B.S.U. Council of Mississippi Woman's College were installed Sunday night, April 16, in a beautiful and impressive service at Immanuel Baptist Church. Rev. H. L. Spencer, the pastor, preached an inspiring sermon from the text, "Lo, He goeth before thee into Galilee," after which the old officers passed their lighted candles on to the new ones. Miss Myrtis Langford, the outgoing president, encouraged the new Council members to put Christ first in all their undertakings. Miss Jeannette Lawrence, the Student Secretary, paid tribute to President W. E. Holcomb, Rev. H. L. Spencer and Mr. R. F. Bass, who have always supported the B.S.U. in every way possible.

The new B.S.U. Council entertained the Senior class at a jumper party Wednesday afternoon. Honor guests were Myrtis Langford, Nell McCullough, Mary Dorothy Walker, Catherine English, Doline Riser, and Lucile Callahan. Jig-saw puzzles were put together, and at the conclusion of the party, punch was served.

Vocational Emphasis Week has been observed this week on the campus, and the chapel programs have been devoted to topics concerning the choice of life's work. Speakers this week were Rev. H. L. Spencer, President W. E. Holcomb, Mr. H. H. Ellis from the Masonic

Home at Meridian, Miss Tannehill, a social service worker, and "future alumni of M.W.C." The programs were helpful to every student on the campus.

SONGS OF FAITH

Published by Baptist Sunday School Board

It has been my happy privilege to examine the final selections of hymns and songs comprising this new song book soon to be published by the Sunday School Board. One of my impressions is that our people will readily recognize SONGS OF FAITH as one blessing of the depression. I am confident it will fully meet the needs of Southern Baptists during these stressful times. It is the very book I have long hoped our Board would publish—a conveniently priced book containing the cream of the "good old hymns" and the best modern gospel music.

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